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Budget, Taxes, and the Economy

(108) - H J Res 38: Fiscal 2009 Continuing Resolution - Recommit

March 06, 2009 - Lewis, R-Calif., motion to recommit the bill to the Appropriations Committee with instructions that it be immediately reported back with language that would freeze federal spending for departments and agencies covered in the nine unfinished fiscal 2009 appropriations bills at fiscal 2008 levels for the remainder of the current fiscal year. Motion rejected 160-218.

Vote: Yea

(109) - H J Res 38: Fiscal 2009 Continuing Resolution - Passage

March 06, 2009 - Passage of the joint resolution that would provide continuing appropriations through March 10, 2009 for all federal departments and agencies whose fiscal 2009 appropriations bills have not been enacted. Funding would be set at fiscal 2008 levels. Passed 328-50.

Vote: Yea

(143) - HR 1586: Bonus Tax for Federally Assisted Companies - Passage

March 19, 2009 - Rangel, D-N.Y., motion to

suspend the rules and pass the bill that would impose a 90 percent tax on bonuses given after Dec. 31, 2008, to certain employees of companies that received more than \$5 billion from the Troubled Asset Relief Program, to employees of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and to members of affiliated groups or partnerships in which more than 50 percent of the capital or profits is owned by the above parties. It would apply to bonus recipients with adjusted gross incomes of more than \$125,000 per year (\$250,000 for joint filers.) The measure would exempt commissions, welfare or fringe benefits, and expense reimbursements, as well as employees who waive their bonus entitlement or return the money to their company.

Motion agreed to 328-93.
Vote: Yea
(144) - H Con Res 76: Bonus Payment Disapproval - Adoption
March 19, 2009 - Frank, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would express a sense of Congress that the president is appropriately exercising all of the authorities granted by Congress under the 2008 financial bailout law by taking action to ensure that American International Group repay taxpayer money given in retention bonuses, and that companies that receive money from the law limit base salaries to \$500,000 per year and do not give excessive compensation payments going forward or so-called golden parachutes. Motion rejected 255-160.
Vote: Nay
Congress and the Federal Government

March 05, 2009 - Clyburn, D-S.C., motion to table (kill) the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution that would instruct the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to investigate and report on the relationship between earmarks made by members of Congress on behalf of clients of an unnamed defense lobbying firm. Motion agreed to 222-181.

Vote: Nay

(105) - H Res 212: Earmark Investigation - Motion to Table

(112) - HR 131: Ronald Reagan Commission - Passage

March 09, 2009 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would create a commission to develop a commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of former President Ronald Reagan in 2011. Commission members would be unpaid, but reimbursed for travel expenses. Motion agreed to 371-19.

Vote: Yea

(113) - H Res 228: Earmark Investigation - Motion to Table

March 10, 2009 - Clyburn, D-S.C., motion to table (kill) the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution that would instruct the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to investigate and report on the relationship between earmarks made by members of Congress and the details of past campaign contributions. Motion agreed to 228-184.

Vote: Nay

(115) - H Res 143: Rep. Rangel Removal from Chairmanship - Motion to Table

March 10, 2009 - Edwards, D-Md., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a U.S. courthouse in Jackson, Miss., as the "R. Jess Brown United States Courthouse." Motion agreed to 424-0.

Vote: Yea

(141) - H Res 265: Earmark Investigation - Motion to Table

March 19, 2009 - Becerra, D-Calif., motion to table (kill) the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution that would instruct the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to investigate and report on the relationship between earmarks made by members of Congress and the details of past campaign contributions. Motion agreed to 226-180.

Vote: Nay
(155) - H Res 286: Earmark Investigation - Motion to Table
March 25, 2009 - Miller, D-Calif., motion to table (kill) the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution that would instruct the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to investigate and report on the relationship between earmarks made by members of Congress and the details of past campaign contributions. Motion agreed to 223-182.
Vote: Nay
(163) - H Res 295: Earmark Investigation - Motion to Table
March 30, 2009 - Miller, D-Calif., motion to table (kill) the Flake, R-Ariz., resolution that would instruct the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to investigate and report on the relationship between earmarks made by members of Congress and the details of past campaign contributions. Motion agreed to 210-173.
Vote: Nay
(172) - H Res 279: Committee Funding - Adoption
March 31, 2009 - Adoption of the resolution the would provide \$304.5 million in the 111th Congress for 19 standing committees of the House, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and the Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming. The resolution would specify that about \$149.7 million would be for the first session and about \$154.9 million for the second session, and would prohibit committees from spending 2009 money in 2010 unless the chairman and ranking member justify the expenses to the House Administration Committee. Adopted 288-136.
Vote: Nay

(173) - HR 151: Congressional Clerkship Program - Passage

March 31, 2009 - Brady, D-Pa., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize unspecified funds to establish the Daniel Webster Congressional Clerkship program to allow graduates of accredited law schools to serve as clerks in the Senate or House for one-year terms. Motion agreed to 381-42.

Vote: Yea -----(175) - H Res 312:

Earmark Investigation - Motion to Table

April 01, 2009 - Hall, D-N.Y., motion to table (kill) the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution that would instruct the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to investigate and report on the relationship between earmarks made by members of Congress and the details of past campaign contributions. Motion agreed to 217-185.

Vote: Nay

Domestic Issues

(91)

- HR 146: Battlefields Grant Program - Passage

March 03, 2009 - Holt, D-N.J., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$10 million annually from fiscal 2010 to 2014 to provide matching grants to states and localities to acquire and protect significant battlefields and sites related to the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812. Motion agreed to 394-13.

Vote: Yea

(92) - HR 548: Civil War Battlefields Grant Program - Passage

March 03, 2009 - Holt, D-N.J., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$10 million annually

from fiscal 2009 to 2013 for matching grants to aid states and localities in acquiring lands to preserve Civil War battlefields. Motion agreed to 402-13.
Vote: Yea
(93) - H Res 77: University of Mary Washington Tribute - Adoption
March 03, 2009 - Polis, D-Colo., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, Va., for more than 100 years of leadership and service. Motion agreed to 414-0.
Vote: Yea
(94) - H Res 201: Tribute to Beverly Eckert - Adoption
March 04, 2009 - Pascrell, D-N.J., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize Beverly Eckert's service to the nation and particularly to the survivors and families of those who died in the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Eckert died in the February crash of Continental Connection Flight 3407 near Buffalo, New York. Motion agreed to 419-0.
Vote: Yea
(96) - H Res 45: Criminal Justice Month - Adoption
March 04, 2009 - Lofgren, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express a sense of the House that National Criminal Justice Month provides an opportunity to educate Americans about the criminal justice system. Motion agreed to 415-0.
Vote: Yea

(106) - H Res 153: Tribute to USC Football - Adoption

March 05, 2009 - Polis, D-Colo., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the University of Southern California's football team for winning the 2009 Rose Bowl and applaud the team's coach, Pete Carroll, for his leadership in the community. Motion agreed to 362-15.

Vote: Yea

(114) - HR 813: Herbert Small Courthouse - Passage

March 10, 2009 - Edwards, D-Md., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate the federal building and U.S. courthouse in Elizabeth City, N.C., as the "J. Herbert W. Small Federal Building and United States Courthouse." Motion agreed to 427-0.

Vote: Yea

(116) - H Res 67: Mars Exploration Rovers - Adoption

March 11, 2009 - Davis, D-Tenn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the scientific contributions of NASA's Mars exploration rovers, and commend the staff of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory and Cornell University for successfully operating the rovers. Motion agreed to 421-0.

Vote: Yea

(118) - H Con Res 38: Peace Officers' Memorial Service - Adoption

March 11, 2009 - Edwards, D-Md., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would allow the U.S. Capitol grounds to be used on May 15, 2009, for the 28th annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, honoring law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty in 2008. Motion agreed to 417-0.

Vote: Yea

(125) - HR 987: John Challis Post Office - Passage
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March 16, 2009 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Freedom, Pa., as the "John Scott Challis Jr. Post Office."
Motion agreed to 384-0.
Vote: Yea
(126) - HR 1217: Peter Navarro Post Office - Passage
March 16, 2009 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Ballwin, Mo., as the "Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building." Motion agreed to 384-0.
Vote: Yea
(127) - HR 1284: Ed Freeman Post Office - Passage
March 16, 2009 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in McLain, Miss., as the "Major Ed W. Freeman Post Office." Motion agreed to 384-0.
Vote: Yea
(128) H Res 240: Social Work Day and Month - Adoption

March 17, 2009 - Polis, D-Colo., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day, recognize the contributions of social workers and encourage young people to enter the profession. Motion agreed to 421-0.

Vote: Yea
(129) H Res 211: National Women's History Month - Adoption
March 17, 2009 - Clay, D-Mo., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of National Women's History Month, as well as recognize and honor women and organizations in the United States that promote teaching women's history. Motion agreed to 418-0.
Vote: Yea
(130) HR 628: Patent Law Pilot Program – Passage
March 17, 2009 - Johnson, D-Ga., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$5 million annually over 10 years for a pilot program to increase expertise among judges in selected districts on cases involving patent law and plant variety protection. Motion agreed to 409-7.
Vote: Yea
(134) HR 1388: National Service Programs - Volunteer Generation Fund

that would authorize funding for the Corporation for National and Community Service to administer a new grant program called the Volunteer Generation Fund, with the purpose of assisting non-profit, faith-based and other civic organizations. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 261-168.

March 18, 2009 - Loebsack, D-lowa, amendment

Vote: Nay

(135) - HR 1388: National Service Programs - Authorization Levels
March 18, 2009 - Roe, R-Tenn., amendment that would set authorization levels for service programs in the bill at \$405 million for fiscal 2010 and such sums as necessary for fiscal 2011-2014. Rejected in Committee of the Whole 175-256.
Vote: Yea
(136) - HR 1388: National Service Programs - Student and Elderly Assistance
March 18, 2009 - Kilroy, D-Ohio, amendment that would allow the bill's grant funds to be used for volunteers for physical education classes at elementary and secondary schools; for student nutrition education; and for food delivery, home legal and medical services, and transportation for the elderly. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 372-57.
Vote: Yea
(137) - HR 1388: National Service Program - Operational Support Increase
March 18, 2009 - Markey, D-Colo., amendment that would increase the authorization for operational grants to approved national service programs from \$600 to \$800 per full-time volunteer and from \$800 to \$1,000 per volunteer if the program supports at least 50 percent disadvantaged youth. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 283-147.
Vote: Nay
(138) - HR 1388: National Service Programs - National Service Reserve Corp

March 18, 2009 - Titus, D-Nev., amendment that would create a National Service Reserve Corps to respond to national disasters and other emergencies and require corp volunteers to contribute at least 10 hours annually. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 339-93.

Vote: Yea				
(139) - HR	1388: National	Service Progr	ams - Recom	mit

March 18, 2009 - Foxx, R-N.C., motion to recommit the bill to the Education and Labor Committee with language that would bar participants in approved national service positions from attempting to influence legislation; organizing or engaging in protests, petitions, boycotts or strikes; assisting, promoting or deterring union organizing; or engaging in religious instruction; as well as other activities. Motion agreed to 318-105.

Vote: Yea			

(140) - HR 1388: National Service Programs - Passage

March 18, 2009 - Passage of the bill that would reauthorize Corporation for National and Community Service programs through fiscal 2014, increase the education reward for full-time service volunteers from \$4,725 to \$5,350 in fiscal 2010 and make the reward equal to the maximum annual Pell grant thereafter. It would establish a temporary congressional commission on civic service and bar individuals convicted of sex crimes or murder from participating in programs authorized in the bill. States would be required to match corporation service funds for state commissions on national service, with a sliding payment scale for states that demonstrate hardship. It also would bar participants in approved national service positions from certain political activities, such as attempting to influence legislation, or engaging in protests or strikes. Passed 321-105

Vote: Yea		

(145) - HR 918: Stan Lundine Post Office - Passage

March 23, 2009 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Jamestown, N.Y., as the "Stan Lundine Post Office Building." Motion

agreed to 396-0.
Vote: Yea
(146) - HR 1218: Drew Weaver Post Office - Passage
March 23, 2009 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in St. Charles, Mo., as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building." Motion agreed to 399-0.
Vote: Yea
(149) - H Res 182: School Social Work Week - Adoption
March 24, 2009 - Woolsey, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the designation of School Social Work Week and honor the contributions of school social workers. Motion agreed to 415-0.
Vote: Yea
(166) - HR 1388, HR1388: National Service Programs - Rule
March 31, 2009 - Adoption of the rule (H Res 296) that would provide for House floor consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill that would reauthorize Corporation for National and Community Service programs through fiscal 2014 and increase the education reward for full-time service volunteers. Adopted

Vote: Nay

240-173.

(167) - HR 1259: Dextromethorphan Restrictions - Passage

March 31, 2009 - Pallone, D-N.J., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would make it illegal to distribute or possess an unfinished form of the drug dextromethorphan. The restrictions would not apply to employees of the Health and Human Services Department registered to handle such drugs, to individuals approved for pharmaceutical practices or to carriers distributing the drug to individuals licensed to handle the drug. Motion agreed to 407-8.

Vote: Yea	a		

(169) - HR 1388: National Service Programs - Motion to Concur

March 31, 2009 - Miller, D-Calif., motion to concur in the Senate amendments to the bill that would reauthorize Corporation for National and Community Service programs through fiscal 2014, increase the education reward for full-time service volunteers from \$4,725 to \$5,350 and make the reward equal to the maximum annual Pell grant thereafter. Volunteers older than 55 could transfer the education reward to a child or grandchild. tates would be required to match corporation service funds for state commissions on national service, with a sliding payment scale for states that demonstrate hardship. It also would bar participants in national service programs from lobbying, participating in boycotts or strikes, conducting voter registration drives, or providing abortion services or referrals, among other activities, as part of their program duties. It would designate \$5 million a year for fiscal 2010 to 2014 to provide grants to nonprofit organizations that provide development assistance to small and midsized charities. Motion agreed to 275-149.

Vote: Nay			

(170) - HR 577: Children's Vision Care Grants - Passage

March 31, 2009 - Pallone, D-N.J., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$65 million from fiscal 2010 to 2014 for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to award matching-fund grants to states for children's vision care, including for vision correction procedures, eye exams by licensed optometrists or ophthalmologists and dissemination of educational materials about children's visual impairments. Motion agreed to 404-17.

Vote: Yea
(174) - HR 1299: Capitol Police Administration - Passage
March 31, 2009 - Brady, D-Pa., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would clarify the administrative authorities of the chief administrative officer of the Capitol Police. It would specify that the pay for the chief administrative officer be \$1,000 less than the annual rate of pay for the chief of the Capitol Police, require the police chief to give notice to certain congressional committees prior to changes in employment positions and repeal rules requiring Capitol police officers to purchase their own uniforms. Motion agreed to 416-1.
Vote: Nay
Education (98) H Res 146: Read Across America Day - Adoption
March 05, 2009 - Polis, D-Colo., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor Theodor Geisel, also known as Dr. Seuss, for his success in encouraging children to discover the joy of reading. The resolution also would commemorate the 12th anniversary of Read Across America Day on March 2. Motion agreed to 417-0.
Vote: Yea
(110) - H Res 210: School Breakfast Program - Adoption
March 09, 2009 - Woolsey, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the importance of the National School Breakfast Program and its effect on the lives of low-income children and families, encourage states to strengthen such programs and recognize the need to provide states with resources to increase availability of breakfasts. Motion agreed to 383-11.

Vote: Yea

(111) - H Res 222: National Assessment Governing Board - Adoption

March 09, 2009 - Woolsey, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the National Assessment Governing Board on its 20th anniversary in measuring student academic achievement. Motion agreed to 388-9.

Vote: Yea

(124) - H Res 224: Pi Day -Adoption

March 12, 2009 - Davis, D-Tenn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the designation of "Pi Day," and encourage schools to observe the day with activities that teach students about Pi and engage them in the study of math. Motion agreed to 391-10.

Vote: Yea

Energy, Environment, and Federal Land

(117) - S 22: Public Lands Designation - Passage

March 11, 2009 - Rahall, D-W.Va., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate more than 2 million acres of new protected wilderness areas nationwide, in addition to wild and scenic rivers, historic sites and expansions of national parks. It would authorize new water projects and allow three water settlements in Western states. The bill also would codify a National Landscape Conservation System to improve management of protected federal land. Motion rejected 282-144.

Vote: Nay

122) - HR 1262: Clean Water Revolving Fund - Davis-Bacon Requirements

March 12, 2009 - Mack, R-Fla., amendment that would remove the Davis-Bacon Act provisions in the bill, which require contractors for projects that receive federal funds to pay the prevailing local wages and benefits to employees. Rejected in Committee of the Whole 140-284.

Vote: Yea	
(123) - HR 1262: Clean Water Revolving Fund - Passage	

March 12, 2009 - Passage of the bill that

would authorize \$13.8 billion from fiscal 2010-14 for Clean Water State Revolving Fund and more than \$3 billion for other EPA projects related to water pollution and sewage control. The bill would expand the scope of water projects eligible to receive funding through state loan programs and apply Davis-Bacon rules, which require contractors for federally funded projects to pay the prevailing local wages and benefits to employees, to projects receiving grants or loans through the revolving fund. The bill's costs would be offset by an increase on the vessel tonnage duties on ships entering from foreign ports. Passed 317-101.

Vote: Yea	
(133) HR 1388: National S Clean Energy Programs	Service Programs -

March 18, 2009 - Pingree, D-Maine, amendment that would add development of clean energy programs designed to meet the needs of rural communities to the list of approved Clean Energy Corps activities. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 388-36.

Vote: Yea		

(150) - HR 146: Public Lands Designation - Previous Question

March 25,

2009 - Pingree, D-Maine, motion to order the previous question (thus ending debate and possibility of amendment) on adoption of rule H Res 280 that would provide for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill that would designate more than 2 million new acres of protected wilderness areas nationwide, in addition to wild and scenic rivers, historic sites and expansions of national parks.

Motion agreed to 242-180.
Vote: Nay
(153) - Motion to Concur March 23, 2009 –
March 25, 2009 - Rahall, D-W.Va., motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would designate more than 2 million new acres of protected wilderness areas nationwide, in addition to wild and scenic rivers, historic sites and expansions of national parks. It would authorize new water projects and allow water settlements in Western states. The bill also would codify a National Landscape Conservation System to improve management of protected federal land. It would specify that bill provisions would not restrict access for hunting, fishing or trapping activities otherwise allowed by law, and would not affect state authority to regulate these activities. Motion agreed to 285-140.
Vote: Nay
(157) - HR 1404: Federal Lands Wildfire Fund - Insect Infestation Containment
March 26, 2009 - Perlmutter, D-Colo., amendment that would allow funds authorized in the bill to be used to contain insect infestations. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 420-0.
Vote: Yea
(158) - HR 1404: Federal Lands Wildfire Fund - Property Owner Notification

March 26, 2009 - Hastings, R-Wash., amendment that would require the Department of Agriculture to provide advance written notice to individuals who own adjacent land before setting fires on National Forest System property. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 420-0.

Vote: Yea
(159) - HR 1404: Federal Lands Wildfire Fund - Insect Infestation Assessment
March 26, 2009 - Minnick, D-Idaho, amendment that would require the Interior and Agriculture departments to take into account the effect of insect infestation on the risk for wildfires when assessing eligibility for use of funds authorized by the bill. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 422-0.
Vote: Yea
(160) - HR 1404: Federal Lands Wildfire Fund - Shared Cost Grants
March 26, 2009 - Kirkpatrick, D-Ariz., amendment that would allow the Interior and Agriculture departments to provide shared cost grants to communities included in a map of fire risk priority areas and that meet two of the bill's four criteria for the grants. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 418-2.
Vote: Yea
(161) - HR 1404: Federal Lands Wildfire Fund - Hazardous Fuels Reduction
March 26, 2009 - Goodlatte, R-Va., amendment that would allow the Agriculture Department to enter into contracts with a state forester to implement hazardous fuels reduction projects on National Forest System lands to prevent or reduce the severity of wildfires. Rejected in Committee of the Whole 148-272.
Vote: Yea
Foreign Affairs and Immigration

(120) - H Res 125: National Engineers Week - Adoption

March 11, 2009 - Berman, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would call on the central authority of Brazil to immediately return Sean Goldman to his father, David Goldman in the United States, and request the Brazilian government fulfill its obligation under international law to follow the guidelines of the Hague Convention in the case of the Goldman's and other American children. Motion agreed to 418-0.

Vote: Yea
(121) - H Res 226: Recognition of Tibetans - Adoption
March 11, 2009 - Berman, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would call on the People's Republic of China to immediately lift harsh policies imposed on Tibetans, recognize the people of India for their generosity toward the Tibetan refugee population and recognize the Tibetan people for perseverance in the face of hardship. Motion agreed to 422-1
Vote: Yea
(154) - H Res 273: Greece's Anniversary of Independence - Adoption
March 25, 2009 - Berman, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the people of Greece as they celebrate the 188th anniversary of the independence of their country. It would acknowledge Greece's role in the European region since gaining independence. Motion agreed to 423-0.
Vote: Yea
(168) - H Res 282: Egypt-Israel

March 31, 2009 - Connolly, D-Va., motion to

Peace Treaty - Adoption

suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 30th anniversary of the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel, urge the countries to strengthen their relationship and encourage the United States to foster initiatives to resolve threats to peace in the Middle East. Motion agreed to 418-1.
Vote: Yea
Healthcare
(99) H Con Res 14: Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week - Adoption
March 05, 2009 - Capps, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would support the goals and ideals of Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week and recognize Americans who have multiple sclerosis. Motion agreed to 416-0.
Vote: Yea
(164) - HR 20: Postpartum Depression Assistance - Passage
March 30, 2009 - Pallone, D-N.J., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$3 million in fiscal 2009 and such sums as necessary through fiscal 2011 for the Health and Human Services Department to conduct research on postpartum depression. It would allow the department to develop improved diagnostic techniques, establish education programs on the condition and give grants to entities that provide services to individuals and their families. Motion agreed to 391-8.
Vote: Yea
(165) - HR 479: Emergency Medicaid Services for Children - Passage

March 30,

2009 - Pallone, D-N.J., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize about \$138 million for the Emergency Medicaid Services for Children program from fiscal 2010 through fiscal 2014. Motion agreed to 390-6.

Vote: Yea		

(171) - HR 1253: Health Coverage Limitation Conditions - Passage

March 31, 2009 - Pallone, D-N.J., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require group health plan providers to meet conditions in order to limit coverage beneficiaries. Providers would be allowed to limit coverage if their limitations and restrictions are explicit and clear, if they have been disclosed to plan sponsors in writing in advance of the point of sale and if employers give restriction information to beneficiaries upon enrollment. Motion agreed to 422-3.

Vote: Yay			
Housing			

(100) HR 1106: Mortgage Loans Modification - Eligibility Standards

March 05, 2009 - Lofgren, D-Calif., amendment that would make individuals who can afford to repay their mortgages without judicial modification ineligible for loan relief, allow a bank to recover a higher percentage of funds if the homeowner sells the home for a profit, and require debtors to certify that they contacted a lender, provided proper statements and sought an agreement on a qualified loan modification. It would also require bankruptcy courts to use Federal Housing Administration appraisal guidelines when the fair-market value of a home is disputed, allow courts to lower an individual's interest rate instead of reducing mortgage principal and require the Government Accountability Office to conduct a study of the effectiveness of mortgage modifications outside of those allowed under the measure. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 262-164.

vote: Nay
(101) HR 1106: Mortgage Loans Modification - Loss Recapture
March 05, 2009 - Price, R-Ga., amendment that would allow lenders to recapture funds up to the amount of principal lost in a mortgage modification if a homeowner sells the home at a profit. Rejected in Committee of the Whole 211-218.
Vote: Yea
(102) HR 1106: Mortgage Loans Modification - Credit Counseling
March 05, 2009 - Peters, D-Mich., amendment that would allow a debtor whose home is in foreclosure to meet the credit counseling requirement by receiving counseling before or up to 30 days after the filing. Adopted in Committee of the Whole 423-2.
Vote: Yea
(103) HR 1106: Mortgage Loans Modification - Recommit
March 05, 2009 - Price, R-Ga., motion to recommit the bill to the Judiciary and Financial Services Committees with instructions that it be reported back forthwith using language that would bar the use of funds from the Troubled Asset Relief Program for foreclosure prevention or mitigation unless a plan for the use of the funds is submitted to Congress.
Motion rejected 182-242.
Vote: Nay
(104) - HR 1106: Mortgage Loans Modification - Passage

March 05, 2009 - Passage of the bill that

would allow bankruptcy judges to write down the principal and interest rates of loans issued before the bill's enactment, to a home's current market value, for individuals whose mortgages are larger than the value of their homes or who meet other requirements. It would allow the government to reimburse mortgage lenders for reduced principal, interest rates or fees if the mortgage was guaranteed by the Federal Housing Administration, the Veterans Affairs Department or other federal mortgage guarantors. It also would modify the Hope for Homeowners program, and would permanently increase, to \$250,000, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and National Credit Union Administration deposit insurance coverage on individual bank accounts. The amount would be indexed to inflation from 2015 on.

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Passed 234-191.
Vote: Nay
(152) - S 383: TARP Inspector General Authority - Passage
March 25, 2009 - Moore, D-Kan., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would allow the inspector general of the Troubled Asset Relief Program to hire more auditors and investigators, require the inspector general to submit a report to Congress before September on recipients' use of the program's funds and make the inspector general part of the Council of Inspectors General. Motion agreed to 423-0.
Vote: Yea
Transportation and Homeland Security
(95) - H Res 195: Tribute to Homeland Security Employees - Adoption
March 04, 2009 - Carney, D-Pa., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the employees of the Department of Homeland Security on the agency's sixth anniversary for their efforts to keep the United States safe. Motion agreed to 418-0.
Vote: Yea
(147) - HR 1617: Homeland Security Privacy Officials - Passage

March 24, 2009 - Carney, D-Pa., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Homeland Security Department to designate full-time privacy officials for certain components of the department, including the Transportation Security Administration, Customs and Border Protection, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the Coast Guard. Officials would advise on privacy consideration for new laws or regulations, and monitor privacy training and compliance with privacy laws.

Motion agreed to 412-3
Vote: Yea
(148) - HR 730: Technical Nuclear Forensics - Passage
March 24, 2009 - Carney, D-Pa., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$30 million annually from fiscal 2009-2011 for the Department of Homeland Security to develop the capacity to trace nuclear and radiological material back to its source, establish a national technical nuclear forensics center and promote continued study of nuclear forensics. Motion agreed to 402-16.
Vote: Yea
War on Terror, Armed Forces and Veterans
(119) - H Con Res 64: Tribute to Military Families - Adoption
March 11, 2009 - Skelton, D-Mo., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would express appreciation to the families of members of the armed forces and urge the president to designate 2009 as "Year of the Military Family."
Motion agreed to 422-0.
Vote: Yea